

# Roosevelt, Van Wagoner Elected

## Crawford County In Democrat Column. Ferguson Loses

### Winning Candidates In Tuesday Election



FRANK MURPHY  
Lieutenant Governor



MURRAY D. VAN WAGONER  
Governor



ARTHUR H. VANDENBERG  
United States Senator



FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT  
President



HARRY F. KELLY  
Secretary of State



VERNON J. BROWN  
Auditor General

### The Election

The weather on election day, Tuesday, was quite like that of election day two years ago, except that on the latter day, besides rain, snow, and wind there was, in addition, hail. Tuesday certainly wasn't conducive to Republican victory traditionally as far as weather was concerned.

While Michigan went into the Willie column, Governor Deussen went down to defeat before the popular state highway commissioner Murray D. Van Wagoner. Willie carried Crawford county, while Van Wagoner led the Governor in the county by 18 votes.

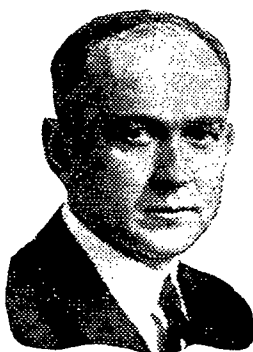
The big upset around the county effects was the victory by James Post, Jr., over the veteran county treasurer William Ferguson. The majority was only eight votes. Ferguson led Post in the county by nine votes until returns from Levels township came in with a majority of 17 for Post, thus cutting down the Ferguson vote from nine majority to eight defeat. The heavy vote by CCC veterans of Camp AuSable no doubt gave Post the votes he needed for victory.

"Jack" Papendick, Republican, led all the candidates of both parties, with a vote of 1012. He was opposed for the office of sheriff by Orel (Blackie) Levan, Democrat.

The local candidates for the office of judge of probate, running on a non-partisan ticket, were Judge Charles E. Moore, the present incumbent, and Clayton McDonald, son of Postmaster James McDonald. Judge Moore was appointed to that office by former governor Frank D. Fitzgerald upon the death of Probate Judge George Sorenson. Four years ago he was elected and has given the public intelligent and dependable

service in that important office. He is a practicing attorney and stands well among the people of the county and his re-election was a surprise.

Congressman Roy O. Woodruff was elected by over 5,000 majority. Ben Carpenter of the 28th district was easily elected over Charles F. Klump. Carpenter has already served his district in the



ROY O. WOODRUFF  
Congressman

state, he voluntarily dropping out for a number of terms. He defeated the present incumbent Miles Callaghan in the primary election.

William Green, incumbent, Republican, is returned to the house of representatives for the Presque Isle district. He defeated Anthony Cushman, Democrat.

Mark F. Nelson, Republican, prosecuting attorney, Axel M. Peters, Democrat, county clerk, and Rowan Hanson, Democrat, register of deeds, were unopposed in both the primary and general elections.

In the three cornered vote for coroners, Nelson, Butler and Alfred Sorenson were elected, while Dr. Stanley Stealy, present incumbent, lost out by less than 100 votes.

A tabulated report of the voting

in each township appears in this issue of the Avalanche.

There were a few votes cast for the Socialist candidate Norman Thomas and one for Roger Babson of the Prohibition party.

### PRE-NUPTIAL SHOWER

Miss Pauline Schoonover was guest of honor at a miscellaneous shower and tea of lovely appointments given at the home of Mrs. Esbern Olson with Mrs. Olson and Mrs. Fred Welsh as co-hostesses Saturday afternoon.

A miniature bride, flanked by four white lighted tapers and crystal baskets of white baby daisies and white baby daisies, made a very attractive decoration for the tea table at which Mrs. T. P. Peterson and Miss Sophie Cole poured.

Following the serving of tea Miss Schoonover was deluged with colorful packages containing gifts from her many friends present.

### Wedding to Take Place At Columbus, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Schoonover and daughter, Pauline, left Sunday morning for Atlanta, Ga., where they will be met by Lieut.

William Tufts. The party will leave there for Columbus where Miss Schoonover and Mr. Tufts will be married on Wednesday.



BEN CARPENTER  
State Senator

### Thompson Funeral

Funeral services for James D. Thompson, who passed away on Oct. 29 in East Tawas, were held in West Branch on Friday afternoon at the Stuenkel Funeral Home with interment at that city. Mr. Thompson was a member of the Masonic Lodge of West Branch and was buried with Masonic honors. He also belonged to the Bay City Consistory and the Elm Kary of Saginaw.

Mr. Thompson was born in Kent county, Michigan, Oct. 4, 1878. He had lived in Grayling for many years or until 1920 when he went to St. Helen, and that had since been his home. He worked as railroad telegrapher for the Manistee & Northwestern Railroad, the Michigan Central and the Pere Marquette for a long number of years. An ardent sportsman, he spent a lot of his leisure time in the woods, hunting and fishing.

Surviving are his widow Lydia, two sons, Grant of Grayling and Wayne of Clarkston, Mich., and eight grandchildren.

### School Carnival Tues. Nov. 19th

On Tuesday evening, November 19th, the Grayling High School Athletic association will stage a carnival to help defray expenses in sponsoring athletics. All people are urged to set the date aside and plan to attend because plans are being formulated to produce one of the outstanding events of the year.

Bingo will be in progress. Beautiful blankets will be offered. Park plan dancing will be one of the high lights with a high class orchestra contracted. Games of skill will be abundant with generous prizes to the lucky winners. The basketball throw, car game, penny tossing, and shooting gallery will be there to mention a few. Hot dogs, donuts, soft drinks, and cider will be served during the entire carnival by experts.

Two excellent shows will be staged in the auditorium at 8 and 9:30 featuring music and specialty numbers. The fishing pond will be one of the best with over 200 varieties. You'll be able to have your fortune told by an expert. The wonders of the world will be exhibited. A mystery booth points to be a feature.

All in all, it is planned to have a full evening so one and all plan to attend. Remember the date, Tuesday, November 19th. Save your pennies, nickles, and dimes for a great time.

### Will Make Clean Sweep

The United States coast and geodetic survey is going to "sweep" the entire area of Boston harbor to see if there are any uncharted reefs and rocks. The sweeping will be done by two boats with a weighted wire drag between them. Any obstruction will be noted and investigated by divers.

### Womans Club

The first meeting for the year of the Womans club was held at the home of Mrs. Stanley Stealy Monday evening.

The president, Mrs. Willard Cornell, was in the chair. Following the business session the new and old members were introduced and welcomed by Mrs. Cornell. She also read her report on the District Convention held in Mt. Pleasant in October.

Miss Margrethe Bauman announced that a skit "Toujours L'Amour", "The Eternal Triangle", would be given by Mrs. Ernest Hoesli and Mrs. Emerson Frye. The skit was very humorous and brought out a round of laughter.



THEODORE I. FRY  
State Treasurer

### The Vote In Crawford County

	Maple Forest	Beaver Creek	Frederic	South Branch	Grayling Twp.	Levels	City of Grayling	Total
<b>PRESIDENTIAL</b>								
Willkie, R.	54	43	64	72	114	62	469	878
McNary, D.	26	50	37	23	82	58	451	777
<b>GOVERNOR</b>								
Deussen, R.	48	39	64	71	113	51	421	807
Van Wagoner, D.	53	54	35	21	83	65	484	825
<b>LIET. GOVERNOR</b>								
Kelly, R.	52	42	69	68	117	57	432	828
Murphy, F.	26	49	37	22	76	52	449	761
<b>SECRETARY OF STATE</b>								
Kelly, R.	54	48	64	73	123	64	467	893
Cornell, V.	24	43	82	17	64	45	408	681
<b>ATTORNEY GENERAL</b>								
Rushon, R.	51	40	62	69	111	47	428	808
Stearns, A.	25	48	83	21	76	53	436	742
<b>STATE TREASURER</b>								
Frye, E.	48	37	61	68	110	49	432	806
Frye, E.	20	53	85	22	76	54	437	756
<b>AUDITOR GENERAL</b>								
Brown, R.	54	42	68	71	119	56	470	880
Dotson, D.	23	46	79	19	67	47	399	680
<b>U. S. SENATOR</b>								
Vandenberg, R.	55	42	65	68	116	58	456	860
McDonnell, D.	25	51	84	23	75	54	423	735
<b>REP. IN CONGRESS</b>								
Woodruff, R.	51	43	62	68	118	58	427	827
Kelly, D.	26	46	85	22	69	48	444	740
<b>STATE SENATOR</b>								
Carpenter, R.	53	42	69	74	119	58	459	874
Klump, D.	25	47	76	16	68	46	403	681
<b>REP. IN STATE LEGISLATURE</b>								
Green, R.	53	44	72	72	119	58	455	873
Cushman, D.	24	45	75	19	66	45	403	692
<b>PROSECUTING ATTORNEY</b>								
Nelson, R.	51	50	74	71	123	59	498	926
<b>SHERIFF</b>								
Papendick, R.	59	56	106	75	135	70	511	1012
Levan, D.	20	36	49	17	62	44	396	624
<b>COUNTY CLERK</b>								
Peterson, D.	44	63	92	33	102	74	558	966
<b>COUNTY TREASURER</b>								
Ferguson, R.	44	49	72	64	115	48	416	808
Post, D.	36	40	81	26	80	65	488	816
<b>REGISTER OF DEEDS</b>								
Hanson, D.	42	60	99	34	100	72	551	958
<b>CORONERS</b>								
Butler, R.	47	36	72	65	120	55	439	834
Stealy, D.	25	50	75	25	70	54	425	724
Sorenson, D.	27	54	88	24	86	49	480	808
<b>JUSTICE SUPREME COURT</b>								
Elliott, R.	13	33	44	20	54	30	231	425
Boyles, D.	28	25	37	50	61	40	298	539
<b>JUDGE OF PROBATE</b>								
Moore, R.	46	41	84	57	110	46	450	834
McDonnell, D.	27	38	50	23	62	47	385	632

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1940

## Frederic Plans To Entertain Hunters

Frederic, a small village eight north of Grayling, will be host to many hundreds of hunters during deer season, and are already planning for the last fifteen days of November.

Frederic Rural Agricultural School is sponsoring, through the Senior Social Studies, a "Better Deer Season." Knowing that there are over 200 square miles in our school district that is better deer land than anything else; that there are plenty of deer in this large area; and that we are only six hours, or less, driving from all places in southern Michigan; that gives us all the reasons for making a "Better Deer Season" in Frederic and surrounding territory.

To help many hunters, the seniors have erected a large "Hunters Den," which will be free information headquarters for all hunters traveling on highway U. S. 27. The Free Services offered are many and valuable. Places recommended for board and room for hunters will make it easier for many hunters new to this locality. Many homes have old hunters coming back as well as new ones already booked for this season. Already the school is answering inquiries and information requests. Large maps will show where to hunt and how to get there as well as lists of good guides for hire at any time, and where to find them.

Knowing that most deer hunters like entertainment and fun after a day's hunting, the community and school has attempted to fill the bill. On November 14th and 15th will be the School Carnival planned for the occasion, with many amusements, free gifts and prizes and plenty of fun for everyone.

November 16th the Sportsman's Club will hold their annual Feather Party. A deer season is not complete without a true Hunters Ball, so on November 22nd is the "Swingout Hunters Ball," with Tim Doolittle and His Radio Gang furnishing the fun, music and floor show.

November 27th is the date of the annual Senior Play.

## The Weather

This week we have been having a little taste of winter weather, with snow Wednesday morning early. Saturday the thermometer rose to 50 degrees in the afternoon, dropping to 38 at 6 p. m. Sunday at 6 a. m. the mercury stood at 42 rising to 52 in the afternoon. The sun was out all day bright and warm, and many took advantage of the nice day and went for a long ride.

The high-est temperature on Monday was 53 degrees, and was another nice day. Tuesday it began getting somewhat colder, with the mercury dropping to 35 at 6 p. m. and rain most of the day, turning to snow in the evening. Wednesday at 6 p. m. it was 25 degrees, and the warmest in the afternoon was 32. This morning (Thursday) the mercury stood at 22 degrees.

## Collection Plate Envelopes

The congregation of the century-old Kanawha Salines Presbyterian church of Malden, W. Va., has a highly successful method of obtaining contributions. Members are not called upon to make annual pledges. Instead, blank envelopes are handed out each Sunday. Members inclose donations and put the envelopes on the collection plate, without identifying them.

## Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

Thursday, November 8, 1917

On November 1, amusement patrons began paying 10 per cent more for their theatre and movie tickets. The new war amusement tax is responsible for the increased cost.

Capt. W. M. Case, wife and two children left Grayling Thursday for an extended vacation. They intend to return to Grayling about April 1.

The Salling Hanson Company band mill closed down last week Thursday night for the winter, but due to a breakdown of the Big mill, operations were temporarily resumed. It was necessary to close one of the mills because of the shortage of labor in the mills and also in the lumber woods.

News was received Monday that George W. Brott has passed away at the home of his son at Tekonsha, Mich., his boyhood home, as a result of asthma trouble. Mr. Brott left Grayling for Tekonsha on October 14 of this year, and at that time was not in very good health. During the time he lived in Crawford county he was engaged in farming, and dealt in real estate business. He is survived by four sons, Alton, of Beaver Creek; Elmer of Colorado who is now residing somewhere in the southern states, and Roy of Tekonsha. Funeral services were held in Tekonsha Wednesday.

Late election returns in New York state confirm the carrying of "Woman's Suffrage." In Ohio suffrage lost, as did prohibition.

Camp MacArthur, Waco, Texas—With the arrival of the final allotment of the 3,000 selective soldiers from Camp Custer Saturday examination of the men is under way. It was unofficially announced that fully 15 per cent would be given surgeons' certificates of disability and discharged from the army.

Young men of the country between the ages of sixteen and twenty-one, not now employed, are called upon by President Wilson to service the nation by joining the United States Boys' Working reserve.

Mrs. John Morrissey took her little daughter to the hospital in

Ann Arbor Wednesday to have her eyes examined. The eye trouble is a result of an accident caused by some boy throwing a stone, hitting her in the eye, two months ago.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Payson have arrived from Toledo, for their annual hunting trip, and are at their cabin on the AuSable.

Mrs. Claude Gilson left Wednesday for Sunfield, Mich., to visit relatives and friends, while Mr. Gilson leaves today for the Upper Peninsula to enjoy his annual deer hunt.

Washington—American troops captured by the Germans in the trench raid November 3 probably were trapped in their dugouts and forced to surrender or be blown to pieces with hand grenades without a chance for their lives. There were about 20 men in the trench. This is the first capture of Pershing's army that has been made.

Mrs. George Isenhauer returned home Tuesday from Bay City where she had been called the Friday previous by the death of her nephew, Bied Starks, who was killed instantly in coal mines there.

The Goodfellowship club celebrated its twentieth birthday Monday evening with a banquet at the home of Mrs. Charles Tromble the only charter member still working with the Club. A remembrance of the occasion was presented to Mrs. Tromble by the other members of the club in appreciation of her long term as a loyal and devoted member.

Attorney Homer L. Fitch of Kalamazoo arrived in Grayling Tuesday and has established himself here in the practice of law. He has leased the Hart Haire house and will, with his family soon occupy same.

Earl J. Hewitt, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hewitt, left Monday night for Detroit to take the examination for enlistment in the U. S. Marines. After the examination he will enter a Marine training ship near Chicago to take a six months' course.

The old Olson livery barn will open for business Friday as a feed and livery barn. William Burt is the proprietor.

## Former Grayling Boy Succumbs to Illness

Emanuel Ludvig Johnson, age 30 years, son of Sam Johnson of Detroit, and nephew of Mrs. Hansine K. Hanson of this city, passed away at Henry Ford Hospital in that city last Friday night following a lingering illness. The remains were brought to Grayling Sunday and the funeral held Monday afternoon with services at Grayling Lutheran church. Rev. P. C. Stockholm officiated at the service and interment was in Elmwood cemetery. Former schoolmates of the deceased were the pallbearers and were Ronnow, Hendrickson, Archie Cripps, Gerald Herrick and Amos Hunter.

Emanuel Johnson was born in Grayling, May 28, 1910 and attended Grayling schools. In 1925 he with his family moved to Iron Mountain, where he attended the Kingsford High school. The family left Iron Mountain going to Detroit to reside, where the mother Mrs. Johnson passed away in 1929. The young man was a machinist by trade and was employed in Detroit, until he was forced to give up his work because of illness.

Besides his father he is survived by five brothers, Theodore, Alfred, Carl and Leo of Detroit and Edward of Pensacola, Fla., all of whom have the sympathy of many Grayling friends.

Accompanying the remains to Grayling were Sam Johnson, Leo Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Jensen, Mr. Einer Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Starsinich, all of Detroit.

## Pythians

The Knights of Pythias was organized to spread the doctrines of friendship, charity and benevolence. It was founded in Washington, D. C., February, 1864, by Justus Henry Rathbone and four associates. It was founded on the story of Damon and Pythias, taking as its motto: "Friendship even unto death." Its present membership is estimated at 350,000.

## Personals

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Martin spent Friday in Bay City on business.

Mrs. Else Rasmussen left for Detroit Sunday where she has employment.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Schmidt of Detroit spent the week end at the parental home.

Tracy Nelson, Jr., left for Flint Sunday where he expects to find employment.

Einer Jorgenson, who is employed in Detroit, spent the week end at his home here.

Menno Corwin, Roy Boger and Clair Smith spent Sunday pheasant hunting near Ithaca.

Alfred Hanson Francis Heath and Joseph and Jerome Kesseler flew to Traverse City Sunday.

Benton Jorgenson of Detroit spent the week end visiting his mother, Mrs. Adler Jorgenson.

Jerry Kerry, employed at the Grayling Fish Hatchery, spent the week end at his home in Ionia.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton Welte and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Sweeney spent Sunday visiting in Beulah.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Cogswell and daughter Helen of Detroit were at Hilltop cabins over the week end.

Mrs. Claude Cardinal is spending a few days visiting her daughter Miss Wanda Cardinal, in Ann Arbor.

Miss Mary Jane Joseph of M. S. C., Lansing, spent the week end visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Joseph.

Carl E. Johnson and Howard O. Scarlett of Detroit enjoyed the former's cabin on the river over the week end, here to hunt birds.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bousson and grandsons Bruce Nielson and Jack Rasmussen visited the Frank Tetu family in West Branch Sunday.

Mrs. Menno Corwin and daughter Joan and Mrs. Clair Smith and children spent Sunday visiting in West Branch and Rose City.

Miss Margaret Cassidy came home from Lansing Tuesday, remaining here between buses, coming to exercise her right of franchise to vote in Grayling.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hanson and Mrs. Marie Hanson spent the week end visiting Mr. and Mrs. Holger Hanson, and Mr. and Mrs. Waldemar Hanson in Saginaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kuntar, accompanied by Miss Jennie Wirtanen of Waukegan, Illinois, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Wirtanen over the week end.

Ervin Sampsel of Detroit was in Grayling for the week end and on his return was accompanied by Mrs. Sampsel and little son Mickey, who are visiting in that city for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Gorman, Fay Christenson, Jeanne Hanson, Sandy Thompson, and Robert Nelson drove to Alpena Saturday to witness the Grayling-Alpena football game in that city.

Horace Shaw returned Tuesday after spending a few days visiting his son E. H. Shaw and family at Crystal Falls, Mich. Mrs. Fred Mutton accompanied him, also visiting at the Shaw home.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Rooses, of Bay City spent the week end visiting Rev. and Mrs. P. C. Stockholm. Miss Emilie Stockholm accompanied them home and spent a few days visiting there.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lydell enjoyed having as their guests over the week end Mr. and Mrs. Claude Lydell, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lydell, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rubinger, Jr., all of Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Parker of Lansing spent the week end visiting the former's mother, Mrs. M. Enyart. Mrs. Marjory Doroh returned home with them after spending a two weeks vacation visiting in that city.

Lansing—When someone a few months ago signed the names "Joe Palooka," "Gyp the Blood," "Charlie Potato," and "Joe Manure" to a legal petition seeking a referendum on an act of the 1939 legislature, he probably didn't realize the public service he was performing.

Those names were among thousands signed on petitions filed with the secretary of state. They were supposed to be qualified electors of the state of Michigan, and the petitions carried affidavits saying they were so. But the fact was that they were scribbled into the document in blithe defiance of Michigan's basic law.

Forst Barber spent the week end with his family here.

Mrs. Ed Moore has returned home after spending a few days visiting in Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Wilcox of Onaway spent Sunday visiting at the John Wilcox home.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Howse, Jr., spent Saturday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Lovely.

Mrs. Wm. Bigham had the misfortune to fall at her home, breaking a couple of ribs.

Mrs. Middle LaMotte is spending a couple of weeks visiting relatives and friends in Detroit.

Rev. and Mrs. O. H. Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Waite spent Monday visiting friends in Afton.

Miss Gloria Kennedy of Waters has been visiting relatives and friends in Grayling for the past week.

Mrs. Albert Charron is spending a few weeks visiting in Detroit. She is the guest of Mrs. Howard Smith.

Verner Rasmussen, who attends Arthur Hill Trade school in Saginaw, spent the week end visiting his father, Sam Rasmussen.

Mrs. S. S. Phelps, Sr., of Ortonville, Mich., is spending a few days here visiting old friends. She is a guest at the home of Mrs. Hansine K. Hanson.

Mr. and Mrs. Urban Doty (Patricia Montour) of Wayne, Mich., visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Montour over Sunday.

Mrs. Herbert Trudeau, Mrs. Gale Clise and Mrs. Leo Lovely attended a leaders convention of the Girl Scouts at Traverse City Thursday. The convention was held at the Park Place Hotel where the banquet was held.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Hoelsi, accompanied by the latter's sisters Mrs. Celia Granger and Mrs. George Biggs, are leaving next Monday to spend the winter months in Florida. They expect to remain until the middle of April.

Miss Louise Feldhauser, a student nurse at St. Mary's Hospital, Grand Rapids, spent the week end visiting her parents. Sunday her brothers Norman and Bernard and Miss Helen Isenhauer accompanied her back to Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Eva Wingard and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Trudeau enjoyed a visit over the week end from Mr. and Mrs. William Wingard and children Jerriene, James and Jeanne of Ypsilanti, Mr. and Mrs. William Simpson of Romeo, Robert Sales of Detroit and Miss Jean Mills of Ann Arbor. The party enjoyed the Trudeau and Simpson cabins at Lake Margrethe.

Mr. and Mrs. Holger C. Schmidt are enjoying having as their guests the former's brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Hans P. Schmidt and two sons, Howard and Richard, of Los Angeles, Calif. They arrived in Grayling Friday and will remain until sometime next week. Grayling was the former home of Mr. Schmidt and he is happy to be back once again to see old friends after an absence of 27 years.

War Service in Services  
Members of the Druid Hills Baptist church at Atlanta, Ga., kept abreast of the European crisis even during Sunday services. Dr. Louis D. Newton, pastor of the church, had a radio installed near the pulpit and halts at intervals during his sermon to bring his congregation the latest radio news bulletins.



Non-partisan News Letter  
Michigan Press Association  
By GENE ALLEMAN

Lansing—When someone a few months ago signed the names "Joe Palooka," "Gyp the Blood," "Charlie Potato," and "Joe Manure" to a legal petition seeking a referendum on an act of the 1939 legislature, he probably didn't realize the public service he was performing.

someone called to account for this prankful misuse of a democratic privilege?

No, the only thing that happened was that the names finally were scratched off the list and the rest of the petition was accepted by the department of state as valid. There were numerous other evident deceptions on that particular batch of petitions. Some names were accompanied by non-existent ward designations and others were written one after another down a page in the handwriting of a single person.

## Authority Limited

This case was carried to the state supreme court in an effort to invalidate these petitions. The court held that under the constitution the secretary of state is merely a ministerial officer and has no authority to look behind the face of the petitions. It was held, however, that the department of state may eliminate names which are manifestly fictitious, such as "Joe Palooka"; Those that have no addresses given; and those listing non-existent wards.

Thus the funny names served one important purpose. They were funny enough to attract statewide publicity and to highlight, at least to some degree, a grave weakness in the state's election machinery. The instances cited here are by no means all that could be mentioned to illustrate the disregard of the purposes as to petition signing. A careful study of almost any batch of petitions filed to qualify an issue for the ballot, indicates that this form of voting has become something of a farce.

It might be argued whether signing a petition is the same as voting at the polls. However, the constitution provides the same qualifications. That is to say, only qualified electors may do either. The big difference appears to be that while there is ramified machinery set up to prevent fraud at the polls and to punish the culprit who tampers with the ballot box, there is little besides his own conscience to deter the petition promoter.

## Constitution to Blame?

The fault, it appears, rests principally with the constitution itself. In the articles dealing with initiatory petitions for legislation or constitutional amendments it is provided that each section of a petition shall bear the affidavit of the persons soliciting the signatures, affirming that the signatures are genuine.

"Such petitions so verified," the constitutional provision reads, "shall be prima facie evidence that the signatures thereon are genuine and that the persons signing the same are qualified electors."

Is it any wonder that the supreme court ruled that the state department could not go back of the face of such petitions?

To the layman, at least, it seems as though something should be done about the situation. Taught to regard an affidavit as something which cannot be toyed with by practical jokers or high pressure lobbyists, he is inclined to wonder why "somebody" doesn't do something to correct the legal setup, if that is what is responsible for the loose practices.

Public Indifference  
Of course, public indifference to the responsibility of petition signing is partially to blame. It is commonly admitted that persons put their names on petitions they know nothing about other than what the circulator may tell them. The recent barrage of protests made public by persons who said they signed Communist party petitions under the belief the documents were for an entirely different purpose, illustrates the point.

What are the chief evils of promiscuous petition signing? They might be classified as:

1. Issues are put on the ballot that perhaps have no right to be there other than because an aggressive, small group wants it.  
2. Cluttering-up of the ballot by too many complex proposals serves to confuse voters and to distract their attention from really worthwhile measures.  
3. Representative government is not given a chance to function freely.

Possible Remedies

Those who favor such a rigid plan contend that it would eliminate the various falsifications so prevalent now; that it would cause persons to think seriously about an issue before deciding to go to a polling place and sign a petition; and that it would tend to reduce the number of non-essential proposals appearing on the ballot.

## Ballot Restrictions

Proponents of such a scheme point back to the days when there were no voting booths, no official ballots, and little if any secrecy at the polls. Ballot box stuffing, false counting, counterfeiting of ballots, "repeater" voters, and impersonators were all too common features of election day. These practices have been either eliminated or greatly modified as a result of a tightening of election restrictions.

One of the chief reasons for this improvement has been the Australian ballot. When electors began to use this ballot they were obliged to look the entire list of candidates in the face so to speak. They were less inclined to be led to the polls like sheep with a ballot printed by their party and kept under surveillance while they dropped it into the box. One political commentator has said the Australian ballot served the high purpose of "putting some intelligence into the 'brute vote'." It is on similar grounds that critics condemn Michigan's present petition setup and urge steps to improve it. They regard most of the petitions on file with the department of state as expressing nothing more than a "brute vote," and they feel it is quite as possible and perhaps every bit as essential that "some intelligence" be put into it, also.

## STATE OF MICHIGAN

(J. W. Sorenson estate)

The probate court for the county of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the city of Grayling in said county, on the 4th day of November, A. D. 1940.

Present, Hon. Charles E. Moore Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of James W. Sorenson, deceased.

Herluf Sorenson, administrator of said estate having filed in said court his petition praying that he be authorized to pay to the creditors of said estate a dividend of 40 per cent, and also praying that he be allowed certain administrator's fees.

It is ordered, that the 9th day of December, A. D. 1940, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is further ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

A true copy.

Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

11-7-4

## Want Ads

GIRL WANTED—To help with general housework during deer hunting season. Mrs. Dan Bab-bitt.

WANTED—Waitress and Cook for steady employment. Must be neat. Harwoods Restaurant—under new management.

LOST—A pet dog, medium size, color mostly black with some tan. Has notch in right ear. Leave word at Avalanche office or see Aubrey Blaine.

WANTED TO BUY—Christmas trees, spruce or balsam; on stump or by swamp. Write Harry Ealy, Route 1, Marion, Mich.

WANTED, SALESMEN—Ambitious to make big earnings with our New Ski-Skates, universally appealing to stores, gas stations, for premiums, Christmas gifts. Hottest item ever hit the trade. Easily sold. No competition. Good territory open. Workers make Real Commission Money Investigate. Act immediately. Contact Frank Rathsburg, Inlay City, Mich. Factory Agt.

FOR SALE—7-room house and 2 lots. Inquire Clarence Burns, 304 Park St. Phone 3706.

WOOD FOR SALE—Going to cut about 100 cords dry jackpine, in 15 inch lengths. If bought in 5-cord lots will sell for \$1.50 per cord, cash. Otherwise it is \$1.75 per cord. Sam Rasmussen, 21

160 ACRES—Crawford County Mich., 12 miles from Grayling; 465-foot frontage on Kyle Lake; best deer hunting in Crawford county; also excellent fishing. Would be suitable for hunting club or private cottage. Inquire of O. P. Schumann or Ronnow Hanson.

FOR RENT—Two-apartment modern house. Corner Michigan avenue and Park street. Inquire of Wm. Leng, Frederic.



## Supervisors Proceedings

(Continued from October 31, 1940 issue)

Monday, October 21st, 1940

Meeting of the Board of Supervisors for the county of Crawford, continued and held at the courthouse in the city of Grayling, Monday, October 21st, 1940.

Roll called. All members answering present. The Board was called to order by the Chairman, Sydney A. Dyer.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment made on Saturday, October 19, 1940.

Minutes for meetings held on October 15, 17, 18 and 19 were read and approved.

Report of the Committee on Claims and Accounts: Your Committee on Claims and Accounts would respectfully submit the following as their report, and do hereby recommend that the several amounts scheduled therein be allowed, and that the Clerk and the Treasurer be and are hereby authorized to issue warrants in payment of same when funds are available.

Signed: George Burke, Albert L. Roberts, Committee on Claims and Accounts.

Claimant	Character of Claim	Claimed	Allowed
1 William Epley, fuel		\$ 6.00	
2 City of Grayling, lights, water, sewer for July		19.36	
3 Tri-County Telephone, local and long distance for July		21.55	
4 City of Grayling, lights, water, sewer, for June		20.74	
5 Tri-County Telephone, telephone and long distance for June		21.40	
6 Crawford Avalanche, June session Supervisors proceedings		21.00	
7 Tri-County Telephone, telephone and long distance, Sept.		21.76	
8 City of Grayling, lights, water, sewer, for August		21.90	
9 Tri-County Telephone, telephone and long distance, Aug.		24.85	
10 City of Grayling, lights, water, sewer, September		25.84	
11 Crawford Avalanche, Supervisors proceedings, Sept.		17.00	
12 Union Office Supply Co., fireproof chest		24.00	
13 Phillips Ribbon & Carbon Co., pencils		3.25	
14 Wis. Sales Company, quarterly inspection of adding machine		7.20	
15 S. F. Atkins, transcript		28.55	
16 Crawford Avalanche, advertising grasshopper poison		1.50	
17 Daisy Barnett, County Agent		37.26	
18 L. Wendell Barnes, County Agricultural Agent		24.55	
19 Burroughs Adding Machine, office supplies		42.25	
20 Ihling Bros. Everard Co., office supplies		43.73	
21 N. L. E. W. Krusman, office supplies		6.79	
22 Drs. Keyport & Clippert, contagious cases		9.00	
23 Grayling Greenhouse, flower and seeds		16.10	
24 Reigle Press, office supplies		10.02	
25 Seeman & Peters, toilet supplies		9.75	
26 Doubleday-Hunt-Dolan Co., election supplies and office supplies		258.79	
27 Connine's Grocery, dog food		6.56	
28 Grayling Laundry, laundry		2.42	
29 John A. Papendick, convention expenses		25.00	
30 Johnson Furniture Co., mattresses		59.50	
31 Register of Deeds, tract books		180.00	
32 Fenske Business Equipment Co., office supplies		19.07	
33 Oscar Smock, Justice fees		2.45	
34 Doubleday Bros. & Co., office supplies		22.25	
35 Henry Borchers, drawing jury		2.00	
36 Hans Petersen, drawing jury		2.00	
37 Arnold Office Supply Co., office supplies		72.10	
38 Crawford Avalanche, office supplies, election supplies and advertising		337.62	
39 Edith Payne, postage and mileage		5.79	
40 Ronnow Hanson, transfer of deeds since April, 1940		120.20	
41 Sanford Charron, Deputy fees		50.75	
42 Eugene G. Papendick, Deputy fees		8.20	
43 John A. Papendick, Sheriff fees, July		114.65	
44 John A. Papendick, Sheriff fees, Aug., 1940		128.00	
45 John A. Papendick, Sheriff fees, Sept., 1940		122.20	
46 Stanley A. Sealy, coroner fees		27.30	
47 John A. Papendick, Sheriff fees, Oct., 1940		40.75	
48 Hanson Hardware, hardware supplies		18.83	
49 Reigle Press, supplies for School Comm.		28.80	
50 Hurley Bros., office supplies		21.88	
51 Axel M. Peterson, entry fees in law		36.50	
52 Hans Petersen, Justice fees		110.85	
53 George Stanley, Deputy fees		63.10	
54 John Armstrong, turkey		3.50	

Moved by Niederer and supported by Horton that the report of the Committee on Claims and Accounts be accepted, approved and adopted. Roll called. Yeas: Niederer, Horton, Burke, Roberts, Mortenson, Howse, Scott, and Dyer. Nays: None. The motion carried.

Report of County Agricultural Agent Committee by L. Wendell Barnes, agricultural agent, also report of County Social Welfare Board received.

Moved by Scott, supported by Horton that the auditing of the Justice of the Peace docket be placed in the hands of the Committee on Finance and Settlement. All members voting yea. The motion carried.

The report of the Committee on Finance and Settlement: Your Committee on Finance and Settlement to whom was referred the Justice of the Peace docket of Hans Petersen have examined the same and find same to be correct. Signed: Archie Howse, Jr., George Horton and A. J. Scott, Committee on Finance and Settlement.

Moved by Burke and supported by Scott that the report of the Finance and Settlement Committee be accepted, approved and adopted. All members voting yea. The motion carried.

Moved by Burke and supported by Horton that the requisition of the Sheriff be allowed viz: extension telephone and other supplies listed in his requisition. All members voting yea. The motion carried.

Moved by Howse and supported by Scott that the several County Officers be required to have bonds, provide said bonds in the amounts required by statute or when said amount is not set by statute the amount shall be the amount now existing. The amount of the County School Commissioner's bond shall be set at \$1,000.00. All County officers shall be instructed to obtain the bond where they see fit. Roll call. Yeas: Howse, Scott, Mortenson, Horton, Burke, Niederer, Roberts and Dyer. Nays: The motion carried.

Moved by Burke and supported by Scott that the annual report of the Crawford County Road Commission be received and placed on file and that the record of receipts and expenditures be placed in the minutes of this Board. All members voting yea. The motion carried.

Summary of Receipts and Expenditures, Crawford County Road Commission, October 1, 1939 to September 30, 1940.

Balance on hand, October 1, 1939	\$4,781.24
Receipts:	
Gasoline Refunds	\$ 98.52
Weight Tax	43,523.07
Gasoline Tax	5,273.54
McNitt Fund	58,020.87
Equipment	918.86
Material	123.39
Miscellaneous	7.20
Snow Removal	3,140.00
Group Hospital Insurance	172.05
Total Receipts	\$111,277.30
Expenditures:	
Equipment	\$21,824.76
General Expense	10,746.65
Material	14,317.80
Maintenance	15,156.35
Construction	13,361.50
McNitt	6,674.05
City of Grayling	6,608.62
Total Expenditures	\$88,689.73
Balance on hand, October 1, 1940	\$27,368.81

Moved by Howse and supported by Scott that we adjourn until Tuesday, October 22, 1940 A. D. at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon of said day. All members voting yea. The motion carried.

Axel M. Peterson, Clerk. Sydney A. Dyer, Chairman.

Meeting of the Board of Supervisors for the County of Crawford continued and held at the courthouse in the City of Grayling, on Tuesday the 22nd day of October, 1940.

Roll called. All members answering present.

The Board was called to order by the Chairman, Sydney A. Dyer.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment made on October 21st, 1940.

The minutes of the meeting held on October 21st were read and approved.

Your Committee on Agriculture have examined the report of the Agricultural Agent and recommend it be accepted. Signed: Archie Howse, Jr., and Hjalmar Mortenson.

Moved by Burke, supported by Niederer that the report of the Committee on Agriculture be accepted. All members voting yea. The motion carried.

Report of the Committee on Ways and Means

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors: Gentlemen: Your Committee on Ways and Means to whom was referred the matter of the County Budget for the ensuing year do hereby submit the following report of the committee according-

ly as the County budget for money to be used for the year 1940-1941 and we recommend the various sums therein named be and are hereby appropriated for the proper funds of the County for purposes indicated and specified therein. Aggregating \$22,600.84.

Revenue Statement Estimated for the Fiscal Year October 1, 1940 to September 30, 1941.

General Fund, Delinquent Taxes	\$ 7,000.00
Estimated Current Tax Collection	16,300.00
May Tax Sale	300.00
Total	\$23,600.00
Cash on hand, October 1, 1940	\$10,200.04
Total Available Income	\$33,800.04
Total Estimated Budget Cost	\$22,600.84
Balance	\$11,199.20
Bills Payable	\$2,115.01
Balance for Contingencies	\$9,144.19
Circuit Court—	
Stenographer fees	\$ 650.00
Stenographer expense	75.00
Attorney fees	15.00
Clerk fees	20.00
Printing and binding	80.00
Jurors	800.00
Drawing jury	5.00
Total	\$1,625.00
Judge of Probate—	
Salary	\$1,000.00
Juvenile	300.00
County Agent	150.00
Postage	10.00
Telephone and Telegraph	10.00
Stationery and Supplies	75.00
Board and Care of Dependent Children	300.00
Clothing for Dependent Children	25.00
Equipment and Repairs	150.00
Convention expenses	25.00
Medical—	
Hospital and Doctor	
Total	\$2,045.00
Board of Supervisors—	
Per Diem and Mileage	\$1,400.00
Printing and Binding	225.00
Supplies	115.00
Association dues	5.00
Flowers	10.00
Total	\$1,655.00
Court House and Grounds—	
Janitor	\$ 750.00
Water rental	40.00
Sewer rental	15.00
Lights	80.00
Janitor supplies	30.00
Wiring	15.00
Heating and Plumbing	50.00
Fuel	300.00
Freight and Express	5.00
Ground Maintenance	50.00
Total	\$1,335.00
Dog Warden—	
Treasurer's fees	\$ 60.00
Dog Warden	75.00
Livestock claims	100.00
Justice fees	10.00
Totals	\$245.00
Prosecuting Attorney—	
Salary	\$1,100.00
Postage	15.00
Stationery and Supplies	50.00
Telephone and Telegraph	50.00
Travel expense and Convention	50.00
Equipment and repair	15.00
Totals	\$1,280.00
County Clerk—	
Salary	\$1,200.00
Postage	70.00
Stationery and supplies	110.00
Telephone and Telegraph	50.00
Freight and Express	15.00
Equipment and Repair	20.00
Convention	25.00
Legal blanks	80.00
Bonds	15.00
Total	\$1,585.00
County Treasurer—	
Salary	\$1,200.00
Check exchange	20.00
Postage	50.00
Stationery and supplies	100.00
Printing and binding	50.00
Telephone and Telegraph	35.00
Freight and Express	5.00
Equipment and repair	15.00
Convention	25.00
Bonds	120.00
Total	\$1,620.00
Register of Deeds—	
Salary	\$ 600.00
Postage	25.00
Telephone	5.00
Stationery and Supplies	250.00
Convention expense	25.00
Freight	3.00
Equipment and repair	40.00
Bonds	15.00
Transfer of deeds	100.00
Total	\$1,063.00
School Commissioner—	
Salary	\$ 600.00
Mileage	10.00
Tenant Officer	5.00
Postage	10.00
Stationery and supplies	20.00
Bonds	10.00
Total	\$655.00
Sheriff—	
Fees	\$1,500.00
Deputy fees	250.00
Board of Prisoners	600.00
Water rental	25.00
Lights	75.00
Telephone and Telegraph	100.00
Sewer rental	15.00
Fuel	30.00
Supplies	75.00
Building Maintenance	100.00
Laundry	13.00
Printing	15.00
Doctor and drugs	25.00
Office equipment	10.00
Stationery and Supplies	10.00
Bonds	96.00
Postage	15.00
Convention	25.00
Total	\$3,249.00
Coroner—	
Fees and Mileage	\$ 75.00
Justice of the Peace—	
Justice fees	\$ 400.00
Witness fees	15.00
Jury fees	10.00
Office supplies	50.00
Total	\$475.00
Elections—	
Commission	\$ 50.00
Supplies	90.00
Ballots	300.00
Postage	5.00
Printing and binding	30.00
Total	\$475.00
Appropriations—	
Starr Commonwealth	\$ 25.00
Michigan Children's Aid Society	25.00
Salvation Army	25.00
American Legion	25.00
E.M.T. Association	200.00
District Health Department Children's Fund	374.00
Total	\$674.00
Tax Allocation Board—	
Per Diem	\$125.00
Insurance—	
Courthouse and contents	\$ 291.90
Infirmary and contents	112.00
Jail and contents	205.00
Boilers	60.34
Total	\$669.84
Poor Fund Deficit—	
Restatement Fund	\$1,000.00
Hospitalization	\$2,000.00
Contagious diseases	400.00
Soldiers & Sailors Relief Fund	250.00
Total Disbursed, estimated	\$3,650.00
Respectfully submitted: Fred Niederer, Hjalmar Mortenson, and Albert L. Roberts, Committee on Ways and Means.	

Moved by Burke and supported by Howse that the report of

the Committee on Ways and Means pertaining to the budget be accepted, approved and adopted. Yeas and nays voted called. Yeas: Burke, Howse, Mortenson, Horton, Scott, Niederer, Roberts and Dyer. Nays: none. The motion carried.

Chairman appointed Fred Niederer and Hjalmar Mortenson as members of the District Health Committee.

Moved by Scott and supported by Roberts that the members of the Health Committee be entitled to necessary mileage and expenses in attending District Health meetings on presentation of statement and that the Clerk and the Treasurer be and are hereby authorized to issue warrants of same. Roll called. All members voting yea. The motion carried.

Bill of the several Supervisors for attendance of this session were allowed at this time. Signed: George Burke, Albert L. Roberts and Hjalmar Mortenson, Committee on Claims and Accounts.

Austin J. Scott \$48.30  
Archie Howse, Sr. 44.10  
Archie Howse, Jr. 44.10  
Sydney A. Dyer 47.60  
George Horton 42.00  
George Burke Mileage \$10.75 35.00  
Fred Niederer 35.00  
Albert L. Roberts 35.00  
Hjalmar Mortenson 34.80

Minutes of today's session were read, approved and signed in open session.

Moved by Niederer and supported by Howse that we adjourn without date. All members voting yea. The motion carried.

Axel M. Peterson, Clerk. Sydney A. Dyer, Chairman.

## STATE OF MICHIGAN

In the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, in Chancery.

Irma Squire Rust, Plaintiff,

vs.

Alfred A. Dwight,

Anna L. Bliss,

Orville J. Bell,

James S. Lockey,

Jackson, Lansing and Saginaw Railroad Co.,

Samuel Nordheimer,

John S. Playfair,

Sullivan M. Cutcheon, Order

Josephine M. Cutcheon, of

The Federal Bank of Publi-

Canada, a Canadian cation

corporation,

David Tisdale,

Sarah A. Tisdale,

Alexander G. Comstock,

and Margaret L. Potts,

or their unknown heirs,

Devises, Legatees and Assigns, Defendants.

At a session of said court held at the court house in the City of Grayling in said county, on the 28th day of October, A. D. 1940.

Present: Honorable John C. Shaffer, Circuit Judge.

On reading and filing the Bill of Complaint in said cause and the affidavit of IRMA SQUIRE RUST, attached thereto, from which it satisfactorily appears to the court that the defendants above named, or their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns, are proper and necessary parties defendant in the above entitled cause, and it further appearing that after diligent search and inquiry it cannot be ascertained, and it is not known whether or not said defendants are living or dead, or where any of them may reside if living, and if dead, whether they have personal representatives or heirs living, or where they, or some of them, may reside, and that further, the present whereabouts of said defendants are unknown, and that the names of the persons who are included therein without being named, but who are embraced therein under the title of unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns, cannot be ascertained after diligent search and inquiry.

On motion of Crane & Crane, attorneys for plaintiff, it is Ordered that said defendants, or their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns, cause their appearances to be entered in this cause within three (3) months from the date of this order, and in default thereof that said Bill of Complaint be taken as confessed by the said defendants, their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns.

It is Further Ordered that within forty (40) days plaintiff causes a copy of this Order to be published in The Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed, published and circulated within said County, said publication to be continued therein once in each week for six (6) weeks in succession, or that said plaintiff cause a copy of this Order to be personally served on said non-resident defendants, and each of them, at least twenty (20) days before the time above prescribed for their appearance.

John C. Shaffer, Circuit Judge.

Countersigned: Axel M. Peterson, Clerk.

Take Notice that this suit, in which the foregoing Order was duly made, involves and is brought to quiet title to the following described piece or parcel of land, situate and being in the County of Crawford, State of Michigan:

The South one-half (1/2) of Section five (5), Town twenty-seven (27) North, Range one (1) West, Crawford County, State of Michigan.

Crane & Crane, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

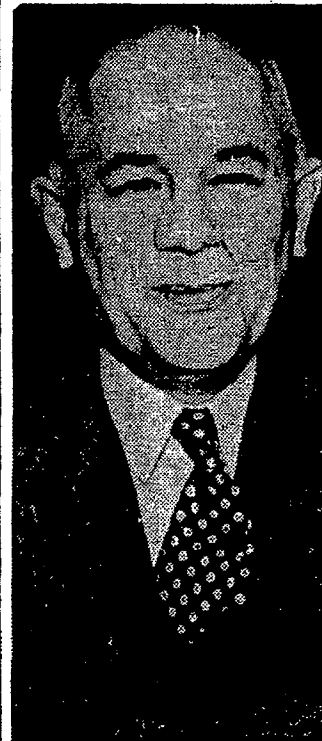
Business address: 308-09 Second National Bank Building, Saginaw, Michigan. 11-7-6

Frenchman Perfected Soap

Soap, now freely used in every household, was originally made for the elite who were particularly fastidious and could afford to indulge in the luxury of frequent bathing.

At first a crude product, it was improved in the early Nineteenth century by Charles, a French chemist who evolved the chemistry of soap and worked out the proper steps in manufacturing it.

## Draft Chief



Dr. Clarence D. Dykstra, president of the University of Wisconsin, who was unanimously confirmed by the senate as director of selective service.

## Ten More Wives

A chieftain in Swaziland, South Africa, is expected to marry 10 carefully chosen maidens at an official wedding shortly after he becomes leader of the tribe. However, the advisors of Sobhuza, a present chief, are having difficulty finding brides with the proper qualifications. In spite of this, Sobhuza has a harem of 51 wives and boasts over a hundred sons and daughters.

## STATE OF MICHIGAN

(Lillia Bud Andrus Estate)

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grayling, in said county, on the 14th day of October A. D. 1940.

Present: Hon. Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.



## STATE OF MICHIGAN

STATE TAX COMMISSION  
LANSINGState Board of Equalization,  
Lansing, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the requirements of law, we are submitting to you herewith the estimated valuation of each county in the State, as determined by this department, together with other statistical matters relating thereto.

Very truly yours,

STATE TAX COMMISSION  
Melville B. McPherson, Chairman.  
Alvin E. Richards, Commissioner.  
John W. Libcke, Commissioner.

County	1939 Total Assessed Valuation	1940 Total Assessed Valuation	Increase 1940 over 1939	Decrease 1940 over 1939	Equalized Valuation by Board of Supervisors 1940	Equalized Valuation by State Board of Equalization, 1939	Recommended by State Tax Commission, 1940
Alcona	\$ 4,072,445	\$ 4,106,510	\$ 34,065		\$ 4,106,510	\$ 3,754,000	\$ 3,904,000
Alger	6,821,875	6,698,892		122,983	6,698,892	6,137,000	6,037,000
Allegan	37,868,692	37,923,385	54,673		37,923,385	37,262,000	37,762,000
Alpena	16,641,324	16,695,500	54,176		16,695,500	16,401,000	16,601,000
Antrim	6,063,670	5,873,564		190,106	5,873,564	5,681,000	5,781,000
Arenac	5,554,794	5,506,305		48,489	5,506,305	5,149,000	5,249,000
Baraga	7,390,425	6,720,265		670,160	6,717,000	6,552,000	6,452,000
Barry	19,728,927	19,807,535	78,608		19,807,535	19,721,000	19,796,000
Bay	65,866,997	67,275,369	1,408,372		65,164,759	65,079,000	66,079,000
Benzie	4,399,305	4,284,370		114,935	4,359,293	4,117,000	4,167,000
Berrien	78,410,324	75,479,663		930,661	73,009,335	75,677,000	75,477,000
Branch	22,475,509	22,331,799		143,710	22,299,854	23,206,000	23,106,000
Calhoun	91,400,285	98,188,420	6,788,135		95,060,000	100,181,000	101,181,000
Cass	18,486,333	18,453,519		32,814	18,053,519	19,972,000	19,922,000
Charlevoix	8,461,965	8,149,818		312,147	8,586,318	8,291,000	8,091,000
Cheboygan	6,901,788	6,740,029		161,759	6,740,029	6,608,000	6,508,000
Chippewa	22,030,300	21,434,965		595,335	22,219,965	22,011,000	21,511,000
Clare	5,602,677	5,921,601	318,924		5,629,621	5,504,000	5,804,000
Clinton	23,638,077	23,655,537	17,460		23,277,977	25,962,000	25,862,000
Crawford	2,781,983	2,737,970		44,013	2,737,970	2,485,000	2,485,000
Delta	16,195,837	15,709,802		486,035	15,709,802	15,583,000	15,383,000
Dickinson	16,548,849	15,180,190		1,368,659	15,180,190	15,743,000	14,743,000
Eaton	28,630,861	28,637,744	6,883		27,874,475	33,504,000	33,404,000
Emmet	12,604,595	12,095,877		508,718	12,415,872	11,358,000	11,258,000
Genesee	240,449,651	238,393,480		2,056,171	242,400,000	240,453,000	238,453,000
Gladwin	6,204,361	5,903,814		300,547	5,801,222	5,604,000	5,604,000
Gogebic	37,421,008	35,019,585		2,401,423	35,019,585	36,756,000	34,756,000
Grand Traverse	15,666,469	15,304,822		361,647	15,304,822	14,742,000	14,742,000
Graziot	30,234,483	30,323,999	89,516		29,000,000	32,349,000	32,399,000
Hillsdale	23,548,425	23,567,695	19,270		23,567,695	25,618,000	25,518,000
Houghton	18,238,261	16,990,262		1,247,999	16,990,262	19,945,000	17,945,000
Huron	27,739,814	27,799,865	60,051		27,868,815	29,064,000	29,164,000
Ingham	144,952,414	145,928,814	976,400		145,928,814	146,307,000	146,807,000
Ionia	27,782,418	27,697,810		84,608	27,596,124	28,727,000	28,627,000
Iosco	8,115,245	8,647,160	531,915		8,000,000	7,707,000	7,207,000
Iron	21,425,830	20,512,615		913,215	20,512,615	20,656,000	20,156,000
Isabella	19,957,744	20,139,606	181,862		20,103,616	20,266,000	20,466,000
Jackson	100,729,910	99,872,055		857,855	100,000,000	101,042,000	100,242,000
Kalamazoo	117,303,400	120,553,500	3,250,100		116,553,552	112,100,000	115,600,000
Kalkaska	2,465,914	2,148,095		307,819	2,148,095	2,000,000	2,000,000
Kent	256,177,701	256,979,545	801,844		256,979,545	256,200,000	257,000,000
Keweenaw	3,443,230	3,289,335		153,895	3,289,335	3,472,000	3,397,000
Lake	2,493,580	2,520,780	27,200		2,520,780	1,993,000	2,000,000
Lapeer	23,996,568	24,035,630	39,062		24,035,630	24,550,000	24,600,000
Leelanau	5,692,259	5,733,477	41,218		5,729,000	5,578,000	5,628,000
Lenawee	56,471,455	56,611,475	140,020		51,635,895	56,470,000	56,620,000
Livingston	23,762,274	23,626,012		136,262	20,000,000	24,647,000	24,447,000
Luce	5,508,295	5,483,830		24,465	4,883,830	5,091,000	4,841,000
Mackinac	6,053,015	5,826,290		226,725	5,870,995	5,690,000	5,490,000
Macomb	86,438,705	84,749,068		1,689,637	84,749,068	90,037,000	88,037,000
Manistee	12,941,615	12,692,886		248,729	12,298,693	12,216,000	12,116,000
Marquette	53,465,983	50,884,042		2,581,941	50,884,042	53,467,000	52,467,000
Mason	14,537,049	14,510,782		26,267	13,000,000	13,229,000	13,204,000
Mecosta	11,938,734	11,890,271		48,463	11,000,000	10,512,000	10,462,000
Menominee	18,793,928	17,802,720		991,206	17,796,720	18,419,000	17,919,000
Midland	24,454,837	26,272,807	1,817,970		26,272,807	24,394,000	26,094,000
Missaukee	3,429,152	3,436,325	7,173		3,436,325	2,807,000	2,857,000
Monroe	62,904,889	62,793,504		111,385	55,048,069	63,524,000	63,224,000
Montcalm	25,135,133	25,047,264		87,869	22,000,000	23,267,000	23,167,000
Montmorency	2,223,694	2,269,705	46,011		2,269,705	2,033,000	2,083,000
Muskegon	84,766,327	85,292,075	525,748		84,642,075	82,551,000	83,051,000
Newaygo	14,494,675	14,235,977		258,698	14,235,977	13,311,000	13,211,000
Oakland	228,900,421	223,529,703		5,370,718	200,000,000	240,601,000	239,601,000
Oceana	10,489,628	10,103,983		385,645	10,103,983	9,685,000	9,485,000
Ogemaw	5,253,162	5,492,789	239,627		5,492,787	4,973,000	5,173,000
Ontonagon	8,888,766	7,415,073		673,693	7,415,073	7,487,000	7,187,000
Oscoda	7,791,410	7,769,877		21,533	7,491,500	7,444,000	7,394,000
Oseoda	2,171,898	2,173,256	1,358		2,173,256	1,800,000	1,900,000
Osego	3,509,220	3,291,050		218,170	3,304,050	3,408,000	3,208,000
Ottawa	45,489,875	45,652,120	162,245		42,570,051	46,436,000	46,586,000
Presque Isle	8,907,320	8,829,947		77,373	8,829,947	7,744,000	7,844,000
Roscommon	3,047,203	3,196,453	149,250		3,196,453	2,546,000	2,696,000
Saginaw	136,180,176	135,199,525		980,651	130,000,000	136,951,000	136,051,000
Sanilac	23,160,845	23,259,465	98,620		23,279,465	26,927,000	27,027,000
Schoolcraft	6,938,435	6,417,005		521,430	6,417,005	6,407,000	6,007,000
Shiawassee	27,209,310	27,323,702	114,392		25,200,000	31,380,000	31,480,000
St. Clair	90,870,758	91,731,436	860,678		93,025,552	89,486,000	90,386,000
St. Joseph	28,501,120	28,527,195	26,075		28,527,195	28,708,000	28,758,000
Tuscola	24,751,475	24,834,933	83,458		24,648,973	26,328,000	26,428,000
Van Buren	29,881,818	29,554,333		327,485	29,000,000	28,957,000	28,907,000
Washtenaw	87,965,455	86,749,714		1,215,741	71,354,515	91,881,000	90,881,000
Wayne	3,162,917,754	3,082,964,055		79,953,699	3,071,239,825	2,900,776,000	2,850,776,000
Wexford	10,436,996	10,287,554		149,442	10,287,554	10,254,000	10,154,000
Total	\$6,120,089,325	\$6,028,028,754	\$19,045,476	\$111,106,047	\$5,929,697,850	\$5,882,961,000	\$5,826,093,000

City Council  
ProceedingsRECORD OF CITY COUNCIL  
PROCEEDINGS

October 18th, 1940

Special meeting. Called to discuss an insurance plan for the City of Grayling.

Meeting called to order by Mayor George Burke.

Councilmen present: Burke, Sales, Milnes, Carlson. Absent: Jensen.

Moved by Burke, and supported by Carlson that fire, extended coverage, and vandalism and malicious mischief 80% co-insurance be taken out for one year on the light and power plant system and other city property in the following amounts:

Power Plant Building—\$18,000.00 \$ 82.44

Contents—\$58,000.00 284.48

Fuel Oil Tanks and Contents—\$ 2,400.00 19.27

W &amp; O Ins. based on \$30,000.00 gross income—168.80

Pipe Storage Bldg.—400.00 4.77

Contents—800.00 9.78

City Office and Fire Dept.—3,000.00 24.72

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follows:

Power Plant Bldg., Contents,

Fuel Oil Tanks and Contents—

Sales Agency.

W and O on Light plant, Pipe

Storage Bldg., Contents, City Of-

fice and Fire Dept., Contents—

Schumann Agency.

Yea: Burke, Carlson, Milnes.

Jensen Absent. Sales not voting.

Sales excused from Council meet-

ing due to being financially inter-

ested in the insurance.

Moved and supported that

meeting be adjourned. Motion

carried.

George A. Granger,

City Clerk.

Seven Sons in War

Mrs. Frederick Swaffar of Hone,

England, is a proud and happy

mother, for her seven sons are all

serving. She has just said goodbye

to the "baby," who was called up in

the last section.

North Bound Buses  
Daily

4:06 a. m.

2:13 p. m.

South Bound Buses  
Daily

12:15 p. m.

9:52 p. m.

Ticket Office

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## Sea Foods

Oysters on Half Shell  
Shell Roasts  
Scallops

8-course Sunday Dinner - - 85c

## JEFF'S Fine Foods

Opposite Spike's

## News Briefs

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1940

Mrs. David White underwent an operation at Mercy Hospital Monday morning.

Harley Kennedy has returned home after spending some time in a Detroit hospital.

Frank Lydell, Jr., of Grand Rapids is the new clerk at the Grayling Fish Hatchery.

Mrs. John Charlefour is feeling much better after being ill at her home for several weeks.

Mrs. John Wahlstrom entertained the Danish Ladies Aid Society at her home Thursday afternoon.

See the bargains on our bargain rack at Olsons.

Mrs. Carl Larson has been removed to her home after being a patient at Mercy Hospital for several days.

Miss Elna Mae Sorenson was hostess to the members of the Just Us Club at her home Monday evening.

The Hospital Aid Society will meet at the Nurse's Home Tuesday, November 12, instead of Thursday, November 14.

The Danish Junior Ladies Aid Society will meet with Miss Dorothy Roberts at her home Thursday evening, November 14.

LeRoy Wakeley, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Barton Wakeley, is nicely recovering at Mercy Hospital from an operation for hernia.

Walter SanCartier, who joined the Marines last summer, will arrive home this month and will spend a few days visiting his parents.

Miss Irma M. Davis of Detroit has leased the Harwood restaurant, taking possession this week. Miss Davis is an experienced restaurateur and says that she will specialize in good foods.

Get your hunting clothes from Olsons.

The November meeting of the Catholic Woman's Guild was held at the home of Mrs. Carl Nielson Tuesday afternoon. The hostess served nice refreshments.

The crew at the Grayling Fish Hatchery are busy this week taking spawn. So far 500,000 brown trout eggs have been taken. They have also been planting bass in the lakes in Crawford and Ogemaw counties.

Mrs. Oscar Hanson was hostess to her bridge club at a very lovely luncheon at her home Wednesday afternoon. Honor score holders for bridge were Mrs. O. P. Schumann, Mrs. C. R. Keyport and Mrs. George Olson.

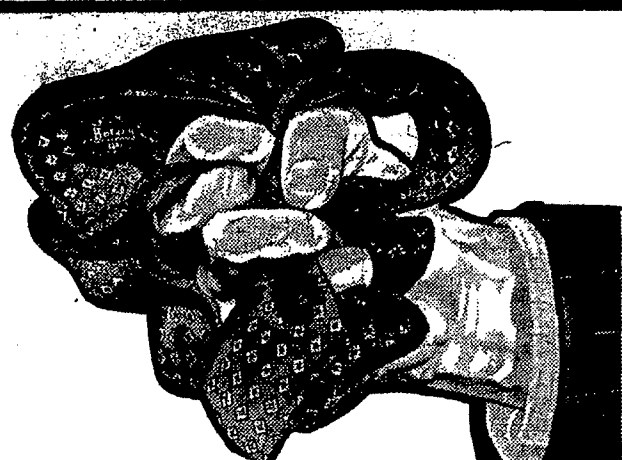
Plans for a Red Cross drive are going ahead and Grayling citizens will soon have the privilege of becoming a member of the great national organization. Mrs. Emil Giegling and Mrs. Harold Jarmin will have charge of the sewing and Miss Margrethe Bauman the knitting.

Leading lady hand bags; any style \$1.00, at Olsons.

Mrs. Nikolai Schjotz entertained at a dinner party at Shoppens Inn Tuesday evening to compliment Mr. and Mrs. Hans P. Schmidt of Los Angeles, Calif. Guests included besides Mr. and Mrs. Schmidt, their son Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Halger C. Schmidt and Mr. and Mrs. Esbern Olson.

The criminal case of the State of Michigan vs. Guy, Lloyd and Russell Puffer, for illegally taking logs from river, is in the process of being tried by jury at the court house Wednesday and today (Thursday). It is expected that it will take all of today. Judge Shaffer of West Branch is on the bench.

Mrs. Dale Penny was guest of honor at a lovely shower Tuesday evening at the home of her mother, Mrs. T. SanCartier. Several tables of bunco were in play with honor scores being held by Mrs. James Sherman, Mrs. Ed. Moore, and Mrs. Willard Harwood. After a very nice lunch, Mrs. Penny opened her many gifts.



### TRY THIS WRINKLE-PROOF MAGIC

Come in and crush a Botany Tie in your fist. Feel and see it spring back to fresh smoothness. We have the new Botany Wrinkle-Proof Ties at \$1 each, and a copy of the Botany Book of Magic for each purchaser of a Botany Tie...the tie that "hangs-out" smooth...overnight.

## BOTANY WRINKLE-PROOF TIES



### Close Out Special Boys Sheep Lined Leatherette Coats

Water and Wind Proof

\$2.79

### Mens and Boys Sweaters

Pull Over or Zipper fronts

20% off

Ladies

### Fall Hats

\$1.95 and \$2.95 Felts

now \$1.50

Ladies and Girls

### Arctics

\$1.00

15c Anklets

2 pair 25c

Boys Fleeced

Union Suits - - 59c

Boys Sweat Shirts

59c

27 inch

White Outing

12 yards - - - \$1.00

## MEN!

A real November Sale of Over  
Coats - Light Weight Top  
Coats or Warm Fleecy  
Coats

**\$19.50 to \$29.50**

and your choice of any hat free

Ladies Snuggles  
Knee and below the  
knee lengths  
50c

Soft Fleecy Rayon  
Gowns and Pajamas  
\$1.95 and \$2.95

### SALE!

Ladies Wash Dresses

15 dozen to choose from  
Better grade \$1 dresses

2 for \$1.25

Touch-up your  
sports costume!  
SPARKLING,  
NEW, SATIN

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**GLITTER MITTS**  
PATENT PENDING  
Smartest thing in years for  
skiing, skating and all  
sports - and for evening  
wear, too! Glitter Mitts are  
water-repellent - colorful,  
brilliant, in fine extra-  
weight satin, downy fleece  
lined for warmth and  
service! Get yours \$1.00  
today!

# Grayling Mercantile Company

The Quality Store

Phone 2251

## New Strand Theatre

Roscommon

Evening Shows at 7 and 9 o'clock.

### Program

WEEK BEGINNING NOVEMBER 10TH

Sunday - Monday - Tuesday, Nov. 10 - 11 - 12

TYRONE POWER - LINDA DARNELL - DEAN JAGGER

BRIAN DONLEVY

"BRIGHAM YOUNG, FRONTIERSMAN"

Wednesday - Thursday, November 13 - 14

CARY GRANT - MARTHA SCOTT - RICHARD CARLSON

"Howards of Virginia"

Friday - Saturday, November 15 - 16

Double Feature

GENE AUTRY

In

"Carolina Moon"

JAMES ELLISON - LUCILLE BALL

"You Can't Fool Your Wife"

COMEDY

NOVELTY

NEWS

Rubbers and Artics for the whole family at Olsons.

Albert Roberts has accepted a position with the Maple Flooring Manufacturing Company of Chicago and has gone to that city to work. Jess Sales has taken his place and Gale Clise is working on Jess' shift.

The bowling alley has been drawing large crowds since it opened two weeks ago. The highest score for the ladies is held by Mrs. Russell Robertson and is 167. Clarence Ward, employed by the Consumer's Power company, holds high score for the men with a 225 game. "Mitch" McLeod tops the local bowlers with 223.

After waiting several weeks for equipment, the new Legion Cafe opened for business Monday. This is located in the Kraus building that was recently vacated by the Maureen Shoppe owned by Mrs. Harold Cliff. The new proprietor is Mr. Jacob Leybber, a veteran of the World War. Mr. Leybber was the mess sergeant for the officers mess hall for the first Michigan National Guard camp held at Grayling camp.

A miscellaneous shower was held at the home of Mrs. Marion Burch Thursday evening, in honor of Mrs. George Ostling (Mabel Isenbauer) a recent bride. Halloween decorations were used throughout the rooms, and keno was the order of entertainment for the evening. A buffet lunch was served to the twenty-two guests present, after which Mrs. Ostling opened many lovely gifts.

Buy McGregor sweaters, they satisfy. At Olsons.

Notices to registrants numbering from 1 to 50 are being mailed out today. Failure to complete and return your questionnaire is punishable by imprisonment and fine. Be on the lookout for yours.

Announcements have been received by friends telling of the marriage on Saturday, Nov. 2nd at East Cleveland, O., of Barbara Edith Walthour, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Dale Walthour to Mr. Spencer Salling Meistrup. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Meistrup of Detroit. The young couple are at home in Indianapolis, Ind.

A. L. Bibbins, who during Grayling's good old baseball days was a member of the local team and still has many old friends here in writing to Wilfred Laurant, acknowledging receipt of one of the old baseball pictures which the latter sent him, says "After looking it over I immediately felt many years younger and ready to get into another ball game. However it would only be a ball game with you fellows." "Bib" is president of the Cooperative G. L. F. Mills, Inc., of Buffalo, N. Y., and recently Bibbins Hall in connection with the G. L. F. Mills School of Cooperative Administration was dedicated in his honor. There was a three day program of ceremony with many officials of the firm and educators of note taking part. This is a very fine honor to come to Mr. Bibbins and his many Grayling friends join in extending congratulations.

Mrs. Jack Daily is assisting at Jeff's Place.

The Women of the Moose had a large turnout for their social evening Monday, November 4th, for their families and friends. Bunco and pinochle were the order of entertainment for the evening, with honor scores being held by Mrs. Hattie Moshier, Mrs. Kate Loskos, for bunco, and Ernest Bissonnette, and Mrs. Martha Marshall for pinochle. Lunch was served by the ladies on tables decorated in the patriotic colors with lighted tapers and silver stars as the centerpiece.

### Grange Notes

The last meeting was well attended. Some of the highlights of the State convention were read by the delegates. Mr. Charles Moore gave the members a few instructions about how to vote, as to what Yes or No, would mean.

Plans were made for a series of card parties to be held at the hall each Friday night. Playing will start about 9:15, for prizes. Pinochle, pedro and bunco will be for any one who cares to play. Lunch will be served, price 25c. All you card players who enjoy a good card game, come and play. If the parties are successful, they will be continued and at the last, those with the highest scores will play for the championship. The first party will be next Friday, Nov. 8th, so don't forget the time, place, or date.

Jack and Jean Rasmussen, twins, celebrated their 11th birthday Monday. They had a few friends in for dinner that night.

### Dr. Newton Coming

Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Specialist of Alpena. Eyes tested and Glasses Fitted. Grayling Dates: Nov. 11 and Nov. 25. Office completely equipped in Dr. Stealy and Dr. Miller's offices. Appointments can be made with Dr. Keyport & Clippert or Dr. S. Stealy.

### A. J. Sorenson Funeral Home

Ambulance Service

Phone 3671

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Add comfort and economy  
to your home. They

**Cost But Little**

Call us and we will take the right  
measurements and make plans for  
you.

### Rasmussen Lumber Co.

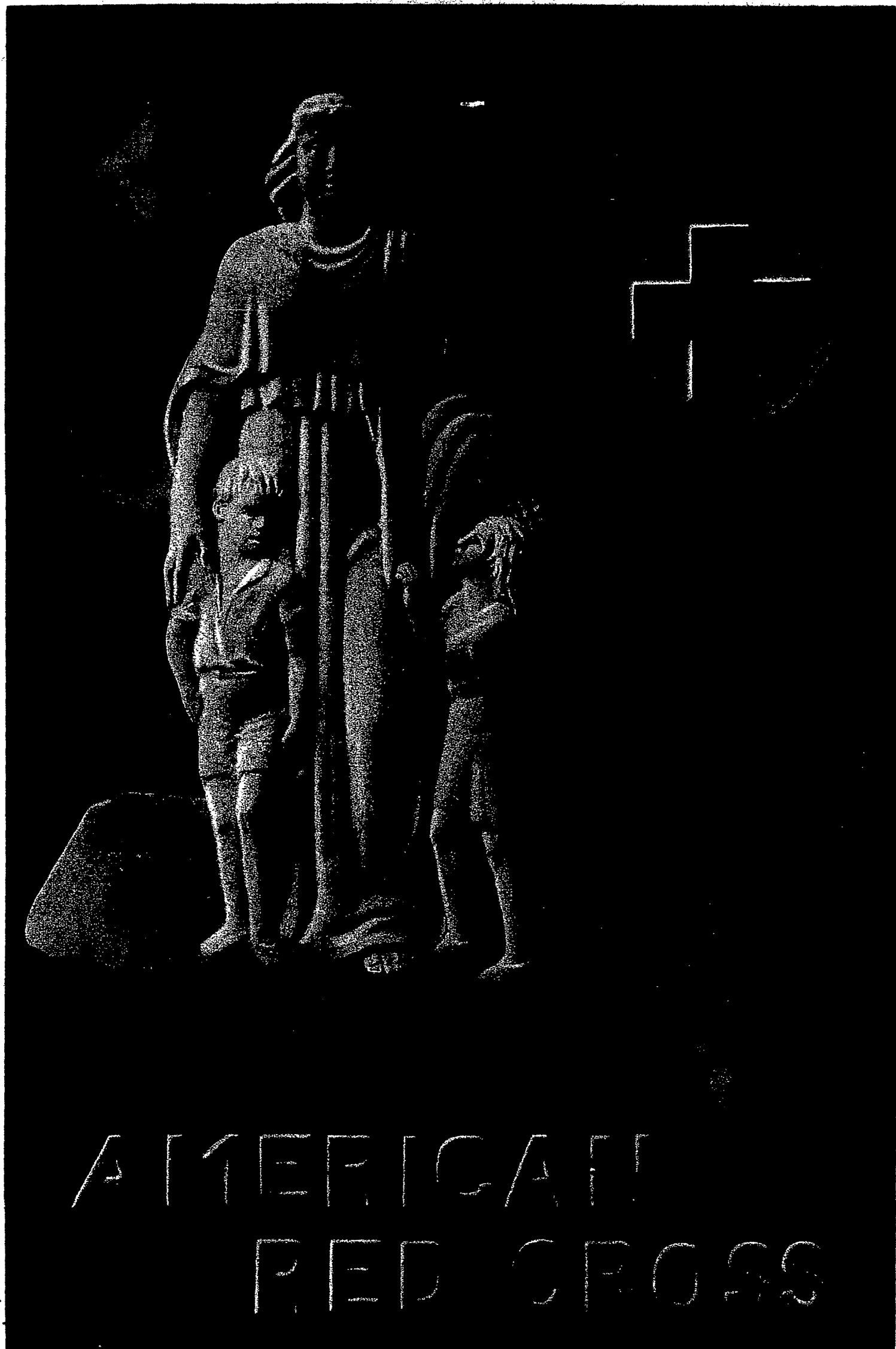
Samuel Rasmussen and Joseph Kerosky, Proprietors.  
Corner Railroad and Ogemaw Streets.  
Grayling, Mich. Phone 4331





SECTION OF  
**CRAWFORD AVALANCHE**

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1940



# Join your local RED CROSS Chapter



Women volunteers make surgical dressings for war wounded



Havoc of a tornado to be restored by Red Cross

## A Year's Service Record

Chartered by Congress as the volunteer relief agency of the United States, the American Red Cross in the past year brought relief to millions at home and abroad. The record follows:

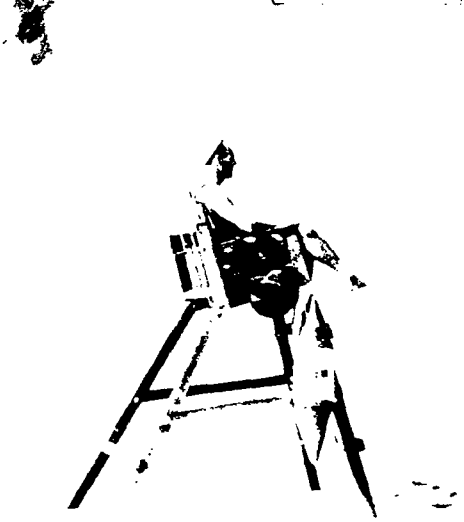
- \$20,000,000 war relief fund aided innocent victims of Europe's warfare
- 75,000 sufferers rehabilitated after 105 disasters in U. S.
- 134,000 families affected by economic distress given help
- 150,000 American war veterans and families assisted
- 40,000 men in U. S. military service aided by Red Cross field directors
- 354,000 First Aiders certified 94,000 Life Savers trained
- 2,886 Highway First Aid Stations in operation, 2,906 Mobile First Aid Units in action
- 1,657 Red Cross Chapters teach Home and Farm Accident Prevention
- 1,000,000 sick helped by Public Health Nurses 62,000 persons trained in home care of the sick
- 350,000 Red Cross volunteers make 7,000,000 surgical dressings 1,000,000 garments for war refugees Brailled 800,000 pages for blind readers

These and many other Red Cross services for preservation of life and prevention of suffering are supported by men and women who join the 3,700 Red Cross Chapters and their 9,000 Branches throughout America. Your community helped in this work. Join your local Chapter during the Annual Roll Call, November 11-30. Do your part!



Police officer, one of 2,000,000 Red Cross first aiders demonstrates aid to injured

Trained Red Cross life savers guard nation's beaches and pools



Valuable training in home nursing given by Red Cross aids health of the family



Men in U. S. military service turn to Red Cross field officers with their problems



Gratitude to Red Cross public health nurse shines in small patient's eyes

Junior Red Cross member gives toy to injured boy "We Serve" their motto

"The Greatest Mother," the 1940 poster of the Red Cross roll call, reproduced in full color on the reverse side, is the work of America's distinguished sculptor, Malvina Hoffman of New York City.